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### **Agency Board of Directors Support Nomination of Director Paul Kelley as Vice President of the Association of California Water Agencies**

Santa Rosa, CA – The Sonoma County Water Agency (Agency) Board of Directors today unanimously approved a resolution supporting the nomination of Director Paul Kelley as Vice President of the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA). Director Kelley is seeking the office of Vice President after holding several ACWA leadership positions for the past several years including Chair of ACWA's Region 1 Board of Directors, a member of the ACWA Board of Directors and Executive Committee, and immediate past Chair of the ACWA Nominations Committee.

“Director Kelley is a committed and experienced visionary leader in the water industry,” said Valerie Brown, Chairwoman of the Agency's Board of Directors. “ACWA would benefit greatly from his in-depth knowledge of water issues facing California and his ability to provide superior leadership.”

ACWA is the largest coalition of public water agencies in the country and the premier water organization in California. ACWA is also a leader in California water issues and advocates at the State and Federal level on legislative and regulatory issues on behalf of its members.

Director Kelley has served as Sonoma County Supervisor and a Director of the Sonoma County Water Agency for the past twelve years. Most recently, Director Kelley has supported several successful ACWA initiatives and programs, including the California Water Television Series with Huell Howser and development of ACWA's Blueprint for California Water.

ACWA elections will take place at the Fall ACWA Conference in Indian Wells, CA. If elected, Director Kelley would serve as ACWA Vice President for two years beginning January 1, 2008. The duties of the ACWA Vice President include serving on the ACWA Board of Directors, ACWA Executive Committee, ACWA Health Benefits Authority Board of Trustees, ACWA/Joint Powers Insurance Authority Board and on the ACWA Services Corporation Board of Directors. Other duties include but are not limited to representing ACWA at a variety of functions and assuming all duties in absence of the president.

For more information about ACWA visit [www.acwa.com](http://www.acwa.com).

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